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1. I MET WITH KORNIYENKO TODAY AND CONVEYED TO HIM CONTENTS
REFTEL.

2. REGARDING NAVAL VISITS, KORNIYENKO NOTED THAT THERE WAS
NOT MUCH TIME LEFT. HE ASKED ABOUT THE GENERAL CONFIGURATION OF
A U.S. GUIDED MISSILE GRIGATE (DLG). I EXPLAINED THAT THIS
WAS SIMILAR TO A SOVIET SHIP OF THE KASHIN CLASS. KORNIYENKO
SAID THAT HE WOULD INQUIRE IMMEDIATELY REGARDING EXCHANGE OF
SHIP VISITS AND THAT ONCE THE TIME AND TYPE OF VESSEL WERE
AGREED UPON THE REST OF THE DETAILS COULD BE WORKED OUT
BETWEEN OUR NAVAL ATTACHE AND SOVIET NAVAL AUTHORITIES.

3. REGARDING EXHCANGES OF VETERANS, KORNIYENKO ASKED WHOM SOVIETS
SHOULD CONTACT IN WASHINGTON TO GET TO WORK ON THIS. HE ALSO ASKED
WHETHER WE ENVISAGED VISITS BY ONE VETERANS GROUP, SEVERAL GROUPS
OR WHETHER IT WOULD BE A COMBINED DELEGATION. I REPLIED THAT WE
HAD NO SPECIFIC INFORMATION IN THIS REGARD BUT THAT MY IMPRESSION
WAS THAT SEVERAL VETERANS GROUPS WOULD BE INVOLVED. BEST
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CONTACT POINT TO PURSUE THESE QUESTIONS, I SAID, WAS GARRISON

IN SOV.

4. KORNIYENKO SAID THAT SOVIETS HAD IN MIND THREE TYPES OF DELEGATIONS: A. THOSE WHO FOUGHT IN THE INFANTRY--I.E., VETERANS OF MEETING AT THE ELBE; B. AIR FORCE --I.E., THOSE WHO TOOK PART IN COMBINED SHUTTLE OPERATIONS AND C. NAVAL COMMENORATION--I.E., THROUGH SHIP VISITS.

5. KORNIYENKO ALSO CONFIRMED THAT THE SOVIETS ARE PLANNING TO UNVEIL A COMMENORATIVE PLAQUE IN MURMANSK DEDICTED TO THE ALLIED MERCHANT MARINERS WHO MADE THE MURMANSK RUN. HE SAID THERE WOULD ALOS BE A WREATH LAYING CERMONY THERE AS PART OF THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, AND THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE U.S. AND UK EMBASSIES BE INVITED TO TAKE PART.

6. KORNIYENKO MENTIONED POSSIBILITY EXCHANGE OF VISITS BETWEEN OUR MILITARY COMMANDERS IN GERMANY, NOTING THAT THIS HAD BEEN DISCUSSED BETWEEN THE SECRETARY AND GROMYKO IN GENEVA. HE SAID IN THIS REGARD THAT SECRETARY HAD STIPULATED THAT THESE VISITS WOULD NOT TAKE PLACE WITHIN V-E DAY TIMEFRAME AND ASKED WHETHER PROPOSED EXCHANGE OF VISITS WAS STILL ON. I REPLIED THAT THIS WAS OUR ASSUMPTION BUT THAT EXCHANGE OF VISITS BY COMMMANDERS WAS NOT MENTIONED IN MY LATEST INSTRUCTIONS AND THAT I WOULD QUERY THE DEPARTMENT. WOULD APPREICATE CONFIRMATION ASAP.

7. COMMENT: KORNIYENKO SEEMED QUITE APPRECIATIVE RE OUR PROPOSALS AND INDICATED FULL SOVIET COOPERATION IN ALL THESE ENDEAVORS.
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